

REMARKS

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 3-9 and 11-15 are pending in the application. Claims 3-9 and 13-15 are allowed. Claims 11 and 12 are rejected. Various claims are amended herein. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted, claims 3-9 and 11-15 remain pending for consideration.

No new matter has been added. Approval and entry is respectfully requested.

II. CLAIMS 11 AND 12 ARE REJECTED UNDER 35 U.S.C. 103(A) AS BEING UNPATENTABLE OVER SUDO ET AL. (U.S. PATENT 6,223,058) IN VIEW OF THE MOTOROLA TIMEPORT 270C WIRELESS TELEPHONE MANUAL (COPYRIGHT 2001, MOTOROLA, INC.)

The Examiner states claim 3 is allowable because the prior art does not teach, "that an alarm is generated only when volume is set to a maximum or minimum." (see page 3 of the Office Action). Claims 11 and 12 are amended herein to further clarify the invention and to recite similar features. Support for the amended claims 11 and 12 can be found, for example, on page 4, line 2 to page 6, line 13 and figure 12 A of the specification.

For example, amended claim 11 recites, *notifying of the operation content causing an output in accordance with a measured result **only** if the operation content is set to a maximum or minimum at a predetermined time.* Sudo et al. (Sudo), fails to disclose *notifying ... **only** if the operation content is set to a maximum or minimum*, as recited, for example in amended claim 11. The Motorola Timeport 270 C Wireless Telephone Manual (Timeport 270C) fails to cure the deficiencies of Sudo.

Therefore, the present invention as recited, for example, in amended claim 11, is not obvious in view of Sudo and Timeport 270C, because the combination fails to teach or suggest the invention, as recited, for example, in claim 11.

Although the above comments are specifically directed to claim 11, for example, it is respectfully submitted that the comments would be helpful in understanding various differences of various other claims (*i.e.* claim 12) over the cited reference.

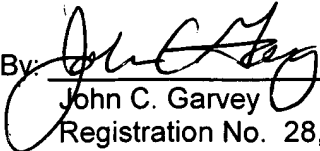
III. CONCLUSION

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

Respectfully submitted,
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